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Applicants: Tirrell and Tang
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for responding to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2002.

The requested extension is for two (2) months, extending the period for response to December 23, 2002.

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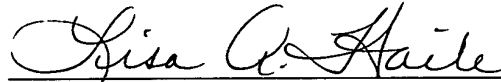
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A check is enclosed in the total amount of \$200.00 for the Two Month Extension of Time fee. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1355 for any other fees or credits believed to be due. A copy of this Transmittal Sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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